

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as indicated below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-11 (cancelled)

Claim 12 (new): A method of manufacturing a light emitting device comprising:

arranging a light emitting element on a base member;

binding small particles of a phosphor in a crystal growth process so as to form secondary particles having a particle diameter between 5 and 10  $\mu\text{m}$ , wherein the phosphor emits visible light upon being excited by light emitted from the light emitting element;

dispersing the phosphor and the secondary particles in a resin having a viscosity between 0.1 and 10 Pa·s; and

forming a phosphor layer by applying the resin over the light emitting element and solidifying.

Claim 13 (new): The method of manufacturing a light emitting device according to claim 12, wherein the binding of small particles in the crystal growth process includes mixing the phosphor with ammonium chloride, as a flux, and sintering.